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KANSAS MAN SENTENCED FOR ATTEMPTING TO ENTICE A MINOR FOR SEX

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Kan., man was sentenced in federal court today for attempting to entice a minor – who in reality was an undercover detective with the Platte County, Mo., Sheriff's Department – to engage in sexual activity.

Lee M. Bailey, 47, of Kansas City, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Gary A. Fenner this afternoon to five years in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Bailey** to forfeit to the government a Dell desktop computer, a Maxtor hard drive and a Micro Webcam CD, which were used to commit the offense.

On Nov. 23, 2004, **Bailey** pleaded guilty to charges contained in an Aug. 10, 2004, federal indictment. **Bailey** admitted that he used an Internet chat room on Feb. 27, 2004, in an attempt to entice a minor to engage in illicit sexual activity. **Bailey** attempted to entice a 14-year-old girl, who in reality was an undercover law enforcement officer, and arranged to meet a few days later for sex. **Bailey** was arrested, Graves said, when he arrived for that meeting.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Platte County, Mo., Sheriff's Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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